

I. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the Specification as follows:

Please amend paragraph [0006] of the specification as follows:

[0006] However, in elderly patients, patients with poor ~~capillary~~pupil dilation, patients with pseudoexfoliation syndrome, etc., it is frequently the case that the Zinn zonule is inherently weak, partially torn or out of position. In such patients, there is an increased risk of complications such as luxation of the lens if the zonule ruptures or the extent of this rupture expands, or dislocation of the luxated lens into the vitreous cavity.

Please amend paragraph [0007] of the specification as follows:

[0007] U.S. Patent No. ~~6,283,480~~6,183,480 of Mackool describes a device for stabilizing the lens capsule. Mackool's device is a hook-shaped lens capsule stabilizer in which the margin of anterior capsulotomy with a brittle or ruptured Zinn zonule is subjected to traction together with the ring of the iris. Mackool's device has a hook-shaped, curved portion which catches and pulls on the margin of the capsulotomy to retract same, but it cannot be used in situations where the incised anterior capsule shows fissures. Cases of a brittle or ruptured Zinn zonule are treated as refractory cases of cataract surgery, and it is known that in such cases, extraction of the lens nucleus is difficult, and complications such as lens dislocation, posterior capsule rupture, intraocular lens displacement, and dislocation into the vitreous cavity may occur.